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MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE, SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 19, 1903.

PRICE, THREE CENTS

GREAT HOLIDAY SALE!

Middletown and vicinity remember to visit the Globe Store Saturday. Time and space prevent us describing all of our great offerings, especially of our beautiful holiday merchandise which will be offered this week. We will say in plain words that we will offer the greatest values that were ever offered by any merchant in the State or a hundred miles around.

Here is Only a Drop of Our Great Offerings. Remember Who is Offering This, the Globe Store.

Men's Suits Men's and Young Men's Suits, All-Wool Cheviots, Oxford Greys and Scotch Mixtures, for the holidays only. \$5.50.
Men's Suits Men's Suits in the finest material, all colors, in Stripes, Mixtures and Invisible Plaids, for the holidays only. \$7.50.
Men's Overcoats Men's Overcoats in Black and Blue Beaver, Oxford Greys, the very latest cut, for holidays only. \$5.00.
Men's Overcoats 115 strictly All-Wool Kersey, Melton and Vicuna, in straight and slashed pockets, for holidays only. \$8.00.
Young Men's, Boys' and Children's Overcoats and Suits; as many as we have left on hand will be sold at a sacrifice.
Men's Furnishings, single and double-breasted wool fleece-lined Underwear. All-Wool Cardigan Jackets and Sweaters, Indigo Blue Flannel Overshirts, Medicated All-Wool Underwear. The finest Natural Wool Underwear, which we will sell at the lowest prices ever heard of.

Men's and Young Men's Suits
\$ 7.00 Gray Oxfords \$ 4.75
8.50 Scotch Plaids 5.50
9.00 Fancy Worsteds 6.50
10.00 Cashmere 7.00
11.00 Black Thibet 7.50
12.00 Satin lined 8.00
12.00 Black Worsteds 8.50
15.00 Silk Mixtures 10.00
14.00 Pin Stripes 10.50



Pearl Fedora Hat75
Very Latest Alpine95
The Panama Style 1.25
Latest Style Stiff Hat 1.25
Rough Rider Hats50

Boys' and Children's Hats
School Hat \$.35
Fine Fedora50
Rough Riders45
Latest Style Hat 1.00
Steel Colors50

Men's Nobby Fancy Vest
White Pique \$1.00
Mercedized Silk Dotted 1.50
Nobby White Dotted 1.00
Latest Style Velvet 2.00
Imported Velvet 1.75

FURNISHINGS
Men's heavy fleeced Underwear40
Double back and front wool fleeced Underwear45
Children's wool fleeced Underwear25
Medicated Underwear90
Natural wool Underwear50
Very best Natural Wool D. B. front and back \$1.00
Jersey wool fleeced Men's Overshirts50

Men's \$4 Shoes, \$2.90
The very kind you want is here—from light and dressy patent coltskin to the heavy leather-lined storm shoes; and a big variety of shapes, in lace. All sizes.
About the best bargain we have turned up this season—no telling when we will again strike it so rich.
\$2.50 Men's "Special" Shoes. As good making, leather, trimming and style as you will find in any \$3 shoe outside this store—some dealers actually get \$3.50 for no better. Hand-sewed, welted and stitched sole. All leathers. All sizes.
\$1.90 elsewhere \$2.50. Men's shoes of box calf or patent coltskin—Goodyear welted and stitched sole—comfortable shapes and stylish.

Men's Hats
Good Working Hat45
Black Stiff Hat \$1.00

Belt Overcoats
This coat will be a great coat this winter for smart dressers. The "Belt Coat" is an Overcoat that covers you right down almost to your shoe tops—made from heavy Cheviots, usually fancy mixtures. "Spoon" of them are "Rain Proof." We also have them in Plain Blacks and Oxfords. A belt slightly gathers the back.
A coat that's a comfort on blustery days and chilly nights, **\$7.50 to \$18.50**
Now, Mr. Young Man, if you want "The" Coat, come see our swell line.

Men's and Young Men's Overcoats
Oxford Gray \$ 4.50
Raglans 5.00
Black Beaver 6.00
Blue Kersey 6.50
Black Thibet 7.25
Seal Brown Melton 7.75
Satin-lined Kersey 8.75
High-grade Oxford 10.50
High-grade Kersey 11.00

Dapper Overcoats For Little Men
Swell, handsome and useful, they win the heart of every

GLOBE CLOTHING STORE, MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE.

REGISTER'S ORDER.
REGISTER OF WILLS OFFICE.
New Castle County, Del., October 28, 1903.
Upon the application of Elizabeth B. Jones, administratrix of the estate of Benjamin F. Jones, late of New Castle County, Delaware, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the said administratrix do cause to be published in the Transcript, a newspaper published in Middletown, Delaware, and to be continued therein two months.
Given under the hand and seal of the Register of Wills of New Castle County, Delaware, this 19th day of December, 1903.
FRED E. BACH, Register of Wills.

REGISTER'S ORDER.
REGISTER OF WILLS OFFICE.
New Castle County, Del., November 11, 1903.
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NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned, on the 14th day of December, A. D. 1903, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested to by the said Executors, on or before the 14th day of January, 1904, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.
ELIZABETH B. JONES, Administratrix.
Address: Martin B. Burri, Esq., Attorney-at-law, Middletown, Delaware.

Here It Is! Our Christmas Advertisement!

Do you want to make a dollar go as far as possible? Certainly you do. Everybody does, especially at Christmas time. All right. This is the way we will help you do it. By selling you the best goods on the market at prices lower than you can get them elsewhere.

Of course you will need a nice assortment of nuts. Well we have them. Very best grade and prices lower than ever.
Best Paper Shell Almonds 20 c lb
Best Cal. Almonds 18 c "
"English Walnuts 14-16 c lb
"Butternuts 12 1/2 c "
"Pecans 12 1/2 c "
"Filberts 12 1/2 c "
"Mixed Nuts 12 1/2 c "
Fine Large Cocoanuts 5-6c each

Here are a few other things, without which Christmas is incomplete.
Very Choice Cranberries 10 c qt
Extra Fine Seeded Raisins 12 c lb
Best Layer 12 1/2 c "
Large Muscatel Raisins 10 c lb
Best Layer Figs 12 1/2 c "
"New Dates 7 c "
Best Canned Citron 13c
Orange and Lemon Peel 7 c lb
Best Pulverized Sugar 7 c "
"Cleaned Currants 10 c "

Candy! Candy!

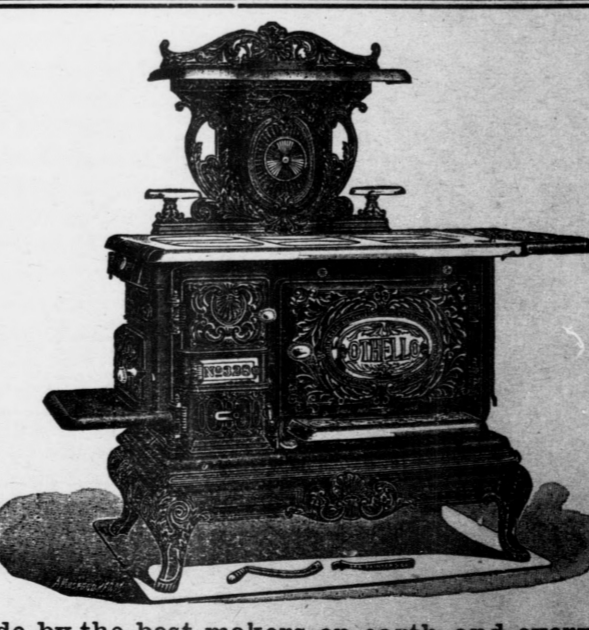
Tons of it and all of the very best quality. It won't seem like Christmas if you don't have plenty of Candy in the house, but be sure you get pure sugar goods. That's the kind we sell.
5c lb. 8c lb. 10c lb. 12 1/2 c lb. 15c lb.
Best Grade Mixtures 15 c lb
Peanut Brittle 10 c "
Best Clear Toys 12 1/2 c "
Chrystal Drops 10 c "
Fancy Broken Stick 10 c "

Large, rosy, tempting apples. Any quantity you wish. Prices right. We have all sizes of oranges and plenty of them 15, 20, 25, 30 and 35 cents per doz.
"Our Special" flour is at the pinnacle of popularity. We guarantee every bag. Price 25c.
Best quality large white grapes, extra fine flavor, 20c per lb.
Don't forget that all of our Minicmeat is made by us. Enough said. It speaks for itself. Price 10c per lb. Pure Leaf Lard, made in our factory right back of the store. Come see us do it. Price 10c lb. What is the use of making a plum pudding, when you can buy one here cheaper than you can make it and just as good, 25 and 50c a can.
But what is the use of trying to tell you about it all. The best plan is for you to come and see for yourself. It will be worth your while.

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Middletown, Delaware.

A SPRIG OF MISTLETOE

Enclosed in a small sprig of mistletoe, tied with a green ribbon, is a card which reads: "Within a grim old trunk, hidden away, lies a sprig of mistletoe. Old guns, the hilts of broken swords, rusted spears declare That no white hand of dainty dame had placed the love-gage there."

Oh, strange it looks, that relic of a far-off Christmas Day. Among the souvenirs of war so deftly laid away! Who were the twins it favored when its leaves were silver sheen And berries of a pearly hue shone out 'mid holly green?

I seem to see them dancing in a grand colonial hall—Her, dark-eyed, grave, and haughty; him, gray-eyed, gay, and tall. I see the startled crimson sweep up to her bonny hair As he whirled her 'neath the mistletoe and boldly kissed her there!

I hear the call of bugles, the tread of marching men. I see him pause beside her, and kiss her face, as white as snow-flakes, and sink in his blue-clad breast. The while her heart turns traitor, and hails him as its guest!

How ends the tale, I wonder, of that fateful long ago? In grief, I fear, since he it was who kept the mistletoe. And still it holds the secret of some heart that bore a scar—A wail of love and Christmas joy 'mid souvenirs of war!

DELAWARE FOR GRAY

"Delaware Democrats are gradually lining up solidly for Judge George Gray for the Presidential nomination. Under skillful leadership and with a sinking of old factions, it is admitted that the Democrats have a strong chance of carrying the State in the next campaign. The party is now entrenched in Wilmington, and the added power thus given should prove of great aid."

"While few of the old Bryan wing are still disgruntled, a vast majority of the party is out and out for Gray. Peter J. Ford, Democratic leader in Wilmington, has been for Gray all the time and ex-Congressman Hamby the Bryan leader is expected to smooth down any ruffles in the silver wing."

"In the event of Gray's nomination Democratic observers predict a sweeping victory in the State, which would break Addicks' power for good. The one fear is that Democrats will knife the ticket, as they did in the case of Willard Saulsbury, which would give Addicks a chance to carry the Legislature. This is assuming that the Union Republicans have as large a campaign fund as they had two years."—Philadelphia Record.

WASHINGTON

December 28 has been selected as the date for the Personally-Conducted Holiday Tour of the Pennsylvania Railroad to Washington. This tour will cover a period of three days, affording ample time to visit all the principal points of interest at the National Capitol, including the Congressional Library and the new Corcoran Art Gallery. Rate, covering railroad transportation for the round trip and hotel accommodations, \$13.00 or \$10.50 from Trenton, \$11.50 or \$9.00 from Philadelphia, and proportionate rates from other points, according to hotel selected. Rates cover accommodations at hotel for two days. Special side trip to Mount Vernon.
All tickets good for ten days, with special coupon after expiration of hotel coupon.
For itineraries and full information apply to Ticket Agents, or address George W. Boyd, General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia.

FREE ILLUSTRATED LECTURES

Prof. A. R. Spaid, county superintendent of schools, has received 60 applications for nearly 100 of the free illustrated lectures which he announced sometime ago that he would give among the schools if the demand should warrant, and the series has been opening at the Delaware Industrial School, the subject being "Let's and Let's Not."

Other dates before the holidays are as follows: New Castle schools, December 17th and 18th; Middletown school, December 21st; Odessa school, December 22d, and the Odessa school, December 23d.

Other schools that have made application and are Marshallton, Penny Hill, Montchanin State Road, Green Spring, Union, Centreville, Delaware City, Kirkwood, Glasgow, Christiansa, Newport, Iron Hill, Newark, Oak Hill, Bear, Hare's Corner, Rose Hill, Clinton, Mt. Pleasant, Yorklyn, Richardson's, Hockessin, White Clay Creek, Williamsville, Hillside, Sunny Side, Diamond, Brandywine Spring, Port Penn, Bethesda, Summit Bridge, North Star, Oak Hill, Taylor's Bridge, Fairview, Harmony, Ebenzer, Townsend, Augustine, Forest Oak, Walkers.

The course of lectures will be given at the Ferris Industrial School, the County Workhouse and the Girls' Industrial School. Also for the benefit of the West End Kindergarten and the kindergarten of the Howard School.

The amount subscribed up to date for the lectures is \$220. Sometime in January a benefit lecture for the fund will be given under the auspices of the ladies of the New Century Club.

HANNA WILL NOT BE CHAIRMAN

WASHINGTON, December 14th.—Senator Hanna has decided finally that he will not serve as chairman of the national committee in the next campaign. This determination has been made known in the proper places, and it may be formally announced within a few days, although there is no obvious reason why any announcement whatever should be made.

The senator's reason for holding aloof from the active management of the campaign is the condition of his health, which makes it inadvisable for him to undergo the strain and excitement at headquarters during a presidential year. If he were younger and stronger he would not have hesitated for a moment to accept the President's invitation. The President asked Senator Hanna to remain at the head of the committee very soon after the senator returned to Washington after the election; and he asked the senator not to give his reply at once, but to take plenty of time to consider it.

He did not press Mr. Hanna unduly, and has done nothing whatever to influence the latter's decision since making the original request. He is disappointed, of course, at the decision, but at proper time will make another selection, which will leave the management of the campaign in thoroughly competent and loyal hands.

It is not probable that the new chairman will be selected at once. There is plenty of time for consideration. It is not the custom to name a national chairman until after the national convention, and it is believed that president will be followed in the present instance.

FOUND \$365 IN WALLET

While walking through Delaware avenue station of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad in Wilmington on Saturday afternoon last W. T. Ward, of Cherry Hill, Md., stumbled across a hand bag. It contained a wallet in which was tucked \$365 in greenbacks.

Ward gave the money to W. R. Dill, a telegrapher at the station to keep for him until the owner appeared, and Monday morning the property was claimed by a woman living in Newark, who minutely described the bag, wallet and contents. She left a five dollar bill with Mr. Dill to be handed to Mr. Ward, the finder, and when the latter visited Wilmington Monday he received the money.

THE ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES

Adjutant General Hall, has made public the following report: The actual strength of the army on October 15th, 1903, was 3,681 officers and 555,000 enlisted men. There were lost to the army during the year ended June 30th, 1903, 29,279 men, as follows: 138 officers, of whom 25 were killed in action or died of wounds or disease; 25,141 enlisted men, of whom 837 were killed in action or died of wounds or disease, the remaining representing men discharged for expiration of term of service, for disability, by sentence of court-martial, desertions and retirements.

Reduced Rates to New Orleans and Return via Pennsylvania Railroad.

On account of the meetings of the American Economic Society and the American Historical Society, at New Orleans, La., December 28 to January 1, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell round-trip tickets to New Orleans and return from all stations on its lines, December 24, 25, and 26, good for return passage until January 5, inclusive, at reduced rates. For specific information consult Ticket Agents.

Winter Excursion Rates via Baltimore and Ohio Railroad

Excursion tickets are now on sale to Winter resorts in the South; also to points in Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas and New Mexico. For tickets and full information apply to ticket agents or H. A. Miller T. P. A. City Office, Wilmington and Market Sts., Wilmington, Del., D. and A. Phone 1758 A.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, December 14th, 1904. PRESIDENT Roosevelt's nomination as Republican candidate in 1904 is certain. During the past week his chances of being the choice of his party were discussed on all sides here and his endorsement was stronger than even his friends had anticipated. A dozen United States senators and a score of national committeemen, who know the sentiment in the Republican states, have given out interviews in which they state positively that the President is the only man to be elected himself. These statements were issued in reply to an editorial from a party paper in Ohio which questioned the advisability of nominating Mr. Roosevelt. The opinion of the committeemen who are now in session here is especially important. Mr. George R. Thelton of New York, said that if Mr. Roosevelt could not get the Empire State, he knew of no one who could. Governor Murphy of New Jersey declared his state was on record for the President without doubt. National Committeeman Brooker of Connecticut gave assurance that there was no question about the nomination of Roosevelt in his state. Mr. Van Fleet gave similar assurance for California. Iowa was certain according to Committeeman Hunt. Roosevelt sentiment in the State of Washington was expressed by former Senator Wilson, and Colorado's by Committeeman Stevenson. Of the Southern states, Virginia, Louisiana, Georgia, Florida, and Maryland, Missouri will send Roosevelt delegates to the National Convention according to the assurances of their committee representatives attending the present meeting. Politicians from Ohio declared that Senator Hanna had a host of friends but they knew he would not be a candidate. Other committeemen added their names to this list of Roosevelt endorsers, and of all who expressed their opinions only two states, Alabama and Mississippi were opposed to the President. In these states there had been quarrels over the federal patronage. Of course neither of them will count anything for the Republican cause in the final election. Senators Frye, Hale, Dooliver, Penrose and Platt of Connecticut were among those who issued statements earlier in the week to the effect that the President's nomination was certain. Opponents of the President's nomination have been crushed and no doubt silenced.

"All of interest to the Republican party that centers in this meeting can be told in one word, that is success. And all that is necessary to bring about that result is to stand pat upon the principles and policies." These words from Senator Hanna, as he called to order the Republican national committee in its initial meeting at the Arlington Hotel, brought forth hearty applause. As the roll call of all the states was read there were but twelve absentees, who were represented by proxy. A blank proxy sent to Senator Hanna by an absent member was filled in by Perry S. Heath, the secretary of the committee, who will thus have two votes. The first business before the committee is the selection of the city in which to hold the convention. Chicago and St. Louis lead in the contest, with chances in favor of the former, although St. Louis is making a "very attractive proposition." Among the communications read by the Secretary was one from a committee of New York citizens asking they be heard in executive session on the defense of the rights of disfranchised voters in the South, and another from the Economic League of New York asking a hearing on the question of the prevention of the growth of Socialism. In the afternoon the members of the committee were received by the President. He knows nearly all of them personally and the greetings were cordial. Mr. Heath was not present at the reception. The committee will be in session several days.

High officials in the War and Navy Departments are watching closely events in Panama and are prepared to meet any emergency in carrying of the Administration's policy of protecting Panama against an attack from Colombia. War ships are patrolling each side of the Isthmus watching for Colombian troops, and marines have been landed in several places for the same purpose. Three or four regiments of the Army are ready to be rushed to the Isthmus from New York and Newport News, in case the Navy Department cannot cope with the situation. For several days it has been reported and also denied that 1100 Colombian troops were landed from Cartagena, near the Atrato river on the Gulf of Darien and near Panama's boundary. Their purpose is to march over land to the cities of Panama and Colon. As such a march is extremely difficult, if not impossible, and as it would take at least a month, the War Department will have plenty of time to intercept the invaders. Such war like action on the part of Colombia is strangely depreciated by Dr. Herran, the charge d'affaires at Washington, and General Reyes, who is commander-in-chief of the Colombian forces. Owing to Secretary Hay's illness, General Reyes has been unable to see him to terminate his mission. It is known that the general has informed his government that there is no hope of prevailing on the United States, to retract its steps, and that the only chance of accomplishing anything is the secure satisfactory peace terms with the new Republic.

Dynamite in Pocket

When Edward Winder was dragged into the police station in Wilmington, in a condition of intoxication bordering on helplessness on Saturday night, the policeman were startled by finding a stick of dynamite in an inner pocket of the prisoner's coat. The man on the patrol wagon shuddered when the explosive was brought forth, for they had visions of what might have happened when the patrol wagon was jolting along the street with Winder in it.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS
The demands of advertisers upon our space for this issue, forces us to surrender to them more than we like to do of our news. But we hope our readers will be lenient with us and remember that "Christmas comes but once a year." To all of its readers, THE TRANSCRIPT wishes a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

SASSAFRAS
The condition of Mr. William H. Spry is still critical.
We wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.
Mrs. John F. Ernest and son visited Middletown on Tuesday.

There is the usual heavy demand for gold coin for Christmas presents.
Mr. R. Jacobs, of Felton, Del., is the guest of his cousin, Mr. William H. Spry.
Messrs. Jacob T. Shallos and Harry Griffith visited Georgetown on Monday.

Mrs. Harry Shepherd who has been very ill for the past two weeks is improving.
Mrs. Belle Calk visited her daughter, Mrs. Jesse Shepherd, in Middletown, on Monday.

Our enterprising merchant Mr. John F. Ernest has gotten in a large stock of Christmas goods.

Mr. Phemias Jones, one of our most esteemed farmers, met with a serious accident this week.

Mrs. Martha McWhorter, Mrs. E. N. Jeter and two sons visited friends at Middletown on Wednesday.

Mrs. Laura Townsend was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jesse Shepherd, in Middletown, one day this week.

The Kent and Queen Anne's County hunters will be the guests of the Green-spring Valley Club during January.

The school children are having fine sport skating on the mill pond, notwithstanding the extremely cold weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Allen, of near Cecilton, were the guests of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Spry, for the past several days.

Miss Grace Sylvester who is attending school at St. Mary's College, will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Smith Burris.

Capt. Andrew Woodall's new power barge A. Woodall, from Georgetown, made her maiden trip from Fox Hole last week, with a cargo comprised of 5,000 bushels of this season's corn.

The boat is commanded by his son, Capt. James E. Woodall.

Sales to Take Place
MONDAY, DECEMBER 21ST, 1903.—Sale of Stock, Farming Implements, Household Goods, etc., by Benjamin P. Sartin, on the James McMullen Farm, on the road leading from Glasgow to Porters Station. William Smith, Auctioneer.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23D.—Public Sale of Stock, Farming Implements, etc., by Walter H. Shriver, on the Wilson Vandegrift Farm, 1 1/2 mile West of Port Penn. Joseph M. Armstrong, Auctioneer.

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NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS
—OF—
St. Georges Hundred!
The taxable residents of St. Georges Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1903 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at the County Tax Collector's Office, Middletown, Del., South Broad street, on

SATURDAY, DEC. 19 and 26 and THURSDAY, DEC. 31 from 9:30 A. M. to 3:30 P. M. Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.

5 per cent. will be added on all taxes not paid by December 31.
E. W. PHARO,
Collector of Taxes for St. Georges Hundred.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS
—OF—
Blackbird Hundred!
The taxable residents of Blackbird Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1903 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be

AT BLACKBIRD, DECEMBER 18 and 28. From 1 to 4 o'clock, P. M. at my residence at TAYLORS BRIDGE, every Wednesday afternoon and evening. 5 per cent will be added on all taxes not paid by December 31.

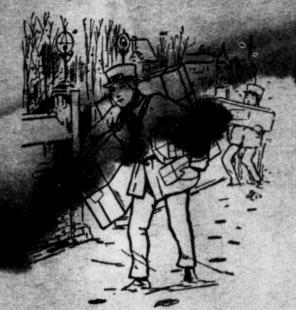
ABRAM STAATS,
Collector of Taxes for Blackbird Hundred, P. O. Address—Taylors Bridge.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS
—OF—
APPOQUINIMINK HUNDRED!
The taxable residents of Appoquinimink Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1903 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will sit

AT THE OFFICE OF GEORGE M. D. HART, IN TOWNSHIP, DEL., EVERY SATURDAY AFTERNOON DURING DECEMBER. On other days and evenings at my residence near Odessa.

5 per cent. will be added on all taxes not paid by December 31.
ELIAS N. MOORE,
Collector of Taxes for Appoquinimink Hundred.

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Silk Mufflers
Kid Gloves
Golf Gloves
Ladies' Golf Vests
Ladies' Sweaters
Fancy Silk Quarters
Dress Suit Cases
Traveling Bags
Pocketbooks and Purse
Wrist Bags
Men's Fancy Neckwear
Silk Suspenders
Men's Sweaters
Knit Jackets
Mackintoshes
Rain Coats
Rubber Coats
Smoking Jackets
Fancy Vests
Bath Robes
Dressing Gowns
Pajamas
Flush and Corduroy Caps
Fur and Skating Caps
Tam O' Shanter
Jewelry
Sterling Silver Novelties
Sterling Table Novelties
Quadruple Plated Silver Sets
Rogers Silverware
Cut Glass
Cut Glass Mirrors
Perfumery
Fancy Toilet Goods
Placques With Enslens
Fancy Candles
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Wilmington, Del.
THE CHRISTMAS STORE.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DE.
THE STATE OF DELAWARE.
TO THE SHERIFF OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY,
GREETING:—

Whereas, James C. Smith by his petition to the Judges of our Superior Court, filed in the office of the Prothonotary of said Court in and for New Castle County, for the cause of complaint therein alleged, has made application to our said Judges that a decree may be pronounced dissolving the marriage existing between the Petitioner and Mary Emma Smith.

We, therefore, command you, as you were heretofore commanded, that you summon Mary Emma Smith that she be and appear before the Judges of our said Court at the next term thereof to be held at Wilmington, on Monday, the First day of February next, to answer the allegations of the said petitioner, James C. Smith according to the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided, and also to do and receive what the Court shall then and there consider concerning her in this behalf as to the Court shall seem meet and consistent with the provisions of the said Act of Assembly.

Witness the Honorable Chas. B. Lore, at Wilmington, the Twenty-third day of November A. D. 1903.

FRANK L. SPEAKMAN,
Judge of the Court.
I, FRANK L. SPEAKMAN, Prothonotary.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DE.
THE STATE OF DELAWARE.
TO THE SHERIFF OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY,
GREETING:—

Whereas, Daisy L. Moon by her petition to the Judges of our Superior Court, filed in the office of the Prothonotary of said Court in and for New Castle County, for the cause of complaint therein alleged, has made application to our said Judges that a decree may be pronounced dissolving the marriage existing between the Petitioner and Ellisworth E. Moon.

We, therefore, command you, as you were heretofore commanded, that you summon Ellisworth E. Moon that he be and appear before the Judges of our said Court at the next term thereof to be held at Wilmington, on Monday, the First day of February next, to answer the allegations of the said petitioner, Daisy L. Moon according to the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided, and also to do and receive what the Court shall then and there consider concerning him in this behalf as to the Court shall seem meet and consistent with the provisions of the said Act of Assembly.

Witness the Honorable Chas. B. Lore, at Wilmington, the Twenty-third day of November A. D. 1903.

FRANK L. SPEAKMAN,
Judge of the Court.
I, FRANK L. SPEAKMAN, Prothonotary.

PUBLIC SALE
OF
VALUABLE PERSONAL PROPERTY!
The undersigned will sell at public sale without reserve, on the "Wilson Vandegrift Farm," on the road leading from McDonough to Port Penn,
Wednesday, Dec. 23, '03
At 10 o'clock, A. M., Sharp,
The following Personal Property, to-wit:

15 HEAD OF HORSES, MULES, COLTS
No. 1—Bertie, brown mare, 5 years old, 16 hands high, sound, will work anywhere, no better horse in the county.
No. 2—Bertie, brown mare, 4 years old, 15 1/2 hands high, sound and a No. 1 road horse.
No. 3—John, bay horse, 7 years old, 15 1/2 hands high, sound and a No. 1 road horse.
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9 HEAD OF MILCH COWS
Among which are some very fine milkers. Some will be fresh on day of sale.

SIX HEAD OF PIGS.
One Brood Sow and 5 Pigs. Also 6 Shoats, weighing from 50 to 60 lbs. each.

FARMING IMPLEMENTS.
Two farm wagons, 1 Osborne binder, has only cut 100 acres, good as new; 1 Osborne mower, has cut 20 acres; 1 wheel cultivator, 1 Bickford & Huffman grain drill, 2 spring tooth harrows, plows, harrows, cultivators, single and double trees, 1 hay rigging, 1 grain fan, shovels, forks, 1 corn marker, peach baskets, 1 grindstone, 1 market wagon, 1 work carriage, 1 jump seat carriage, 1 spindle wagon, 1 set wagon harness, 2 sets chain harness, 5 sets rope harness, collars and bridles, lot of barrels, one cook stove, No. 10 Niagara, and many other things not herein mentioned. 1 carriage pole.

TERMS OF SALE.
On all sums of \$20 and under, Cash; on sums over that amount a credit of twelve months will be given by the purchaser giving bankable note with approved endorser, interest added from day of sale. No goods to be removed until terms are complied with.

BENJAMIN P. SARTIN,
WILLIAM SMITH, Auctioneer.
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NOTICE!
Having accepted the position held by my brother for about 16 years with Wanamaker & Brown, 6th & Market Streets, Philadelphia, I want all of our Delaware friends to visit me when in need of clothing—Men's, Women's or Boys'. Write for Samples.

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With
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24 Head Cattle
15 head of which are milch cows. These are all young cows and selected some of the finest cows I had. I raised the most of them myself and all of them are milking now. Some have calves by their side, others springing.

26 HEAD OF GOOD SHEEP.
Twenty-five head of fine ewes. The most of them were home raised. They are good size and fine sucklers.

One Thoroughbred South Down BUCK,
Lockwood stock.
One Sow and Pigs. This is an excellent Brood Sow. Pigs will be 3 weeks old day of sale.

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Three farm wagons, two new last Spring and the other in good order; 1 milk cart, new last Spring; 1 spindle wagon, new last Spring; 2 binders, 1 Champion 7 ft. cut, new last Spring; 1 McCormick, cut three crops; 1 McCormick mower, new; 1 Champion self-dump rake, new; 1 Bickford & Huffman grain drill, in good order; 1 sulky cultivator, 4 hand cultivators, 2 No. 40 Oliver plows, 2 South Bend plows and 1 one-horse Oliver, 1 sloop cart, 1 cutter sleigh, new with bells; 3 new hay rickings, 3 hedge knives, 8 corn knives, 2 spades, 1 barn shovel, 1 long handle shovel, 3 sets wagon harness, 1 set plow harness, new last Spring; 1 set deorbarn harness, 1 set single carriage harness, 10 bridles, 10 collars, lot of harness, single, double and three-horse trees, 4 short handle forks and 5 long handle forks.

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Filling the Stocking
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Lippincott & Co.,
306 to 12 Market Street, WILMINGTON, DEL.

PUBLIC SALE
The undersigned, intending to discontinue farming, will sell at public sale, on the "James McMullen Farm," on the road leading from Glasgow to Porters station,
Monday, Dec. 21, 1903.
At 10:30 o'clock, A. M.,
The following Personal Property, to-wit:

7 HEAD HORSES
No. 1—Jack, black horse, 10 years old, excellent farm horse and fair driver.
No. 2—Sadie, brown mare, 4 years old, with foal. This is a good driving and work mare, will work anywhere.
No. 3—John, bay horse, 7 years old, good driver and excellent horse for lady. Will work quietly in all harnesses.
No. 4—Goldust, sorrel colt, 3 years old, broken to all harness and a first-class driver.
No. 5—Bell, bay mare, 15 years old, good work mare in all harnesses.
No. 6—May, bay mare, 10 years old and in foal, good work mare in all harnesses.
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BARIS & FOGEL,
MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

Going Out of Business!

Entire Stock Must be Disposed of by the

1st OF JANUARY, 1904.

Prices Slaughtered. Goods Sacrificed.

As we have decided to discontinue business and the time is very short for the date mentioned above, prices will be no consideration.

Our entire up-to-date stock of Furniture, Carpets, Mattings, Oil Cloth and Household Goods. Also a full line of this winter's styles Men's, Young Men's and Boys' Clothing and Ladies' Coats, Skirts, Waists, Suits, Petticoats, etc., will be sold below cost. Store for rent from January 1st, 1904, until March 25th, next. No reasonable offer refused. Fixtures for sale. Also 1 fine driving Horse, 1 Buggy, 1 Business Wagon and 2 sets of Harness. The people of this vicinity know that our Stock is all New and up-to-date, as we have only been in business one year.

BARIS & FOGEL,
Cor. Broad and Main Sts.

OLD KRISS
IS AT

DeVALINGER'S STORE

With TONS of CANDY, PRESENTS and TOYS.

Do your Christmas Shopping HERE and Save Dollars.

Presents for the Old and Young.

COMPARE OUR PRICES BEFORE BUYING:

CANDY.
GOOD MIXED CANDY 5c lb

GROCERIES.
Best Seeded RAISINS 10c lb

DRY GOODS
Sold at COST for Xmas Week.

Best Mixed Candy..... 10c
Best Clear Toys..... 12c
These are the large hand-made ones.

Fancy Mixed Candy... 15c lb
Boxes Free. This is the regular 30 kind.

NUTS Less Than COST
Best Cream Nuts..... 12c
Best English Walnuts... 15c
Best California Almonds. 17c
Best IMPORTED Paper Shell Almonds..... 22c

Best Seeded Currants... 9c
Best Citron..... 18c
Orange or Lemon Peel.. 15c
Arbuckles Coffee..... 10c
Granulated Sugar..... 5c
Pure Spices—all kinds.. 5c + lb

Don't forget our Mince Meat. We make it ourselves from the best material..... 3 lbs 25c
Large Box Cigars..... 25c
Suitable for an Xmas Present.

Best California Figs..... 12c
Best Persian Dates..... 9c
It will pay you to lay in a winter's supply of Groceries here.

Best Bleached Sheetting... 6c
Pure Linen Table Cloths with border..... 24c
Muslins at 4, 6, 8 and 10c per yd

Ladies' Under Skirts.... 24c
These are the best.

Umbrellas for Xmas Presents..... 49c
These are fine Gloria Silk

Blankets and Quilts 60 and 65c
Ginghams..... 5c
Silk Lambrequins..... 25c
Worth 50c.

GLOVES for Men, Women and Children. Will let them go cheap to move them.

Candy FREE to the CHILDREN Xmas Week!
BRING THEM IN. OLD KRISS WILL GIVE IT TO THEM.

Toy Land Opens MONDAY, Free to the Children!

Don't Forget the Place is
DeValinger's Cash Store
TOWNSEND, DELAWARE.

Men's Warm Winter Overcoats

It's hard to imagine anything more satisfactory than a good Overcoat—one that's well-tailored and generous in size—pays for itself over and over again, in solid comfort and satisfaction. Oak Hall has four thousand Men's Overcoats ready—\$7.50 to \$45.

Men's Double-Breasted Ulsters

These sensible coats will cover a man from head to heels, and they're worth their weight in gold to the men whose business keeps them outdoors—\$10 to \$20.

\$12 buys a Black all-wool Frieze Ulster, strongly lined.
\$15 buys a dark Oxford Fur Beaver Ulster.
\$20 buys the best rough Oxford or Black Fur Beaver—the richest and warmest coat that can be made.

Plenty of big sizes. There's nothing skimpy about the Oak Hall Storm Coat.

Men's Black Suits

We sell great quantities of Men's Black Suits—and it takes our best energies to keep the big stock always in fine shape.

We watch constantly for new fabrics—we know the good woolen mills—we know every new style idea—we know, too, that black suits require skillful tailoring. No matter how busy our manufacturing plant happens to be, you can count upon thorough and careful work.

Isn't it worth something to buy in a store where you will be told everything regarding fabric, lining and sewing? For example: Our \$8.50 Black Cheviot Suit is all wool and thoroughly dependable—made from precisely the same model as our finest suit. But it isn't good enough for strictly dress occasions. We have Black Suits up to \$27.50, silk-lined throughout—put your money in a suit from \$10 to \$20—that's where the biggest value can be found.

Carfare to Philadelphia
If you purchase a certain amount here and show your return ticket, we pay your carfare both ways.

Wanamaker & Brown
OAK HALL,
S. E. Cor. Sixth and Market Sts., Philadelphia.

BURSTAN'S
Popular Corner Store

Handsome Toys
To Children Free!

Read! Read!

With each pair of Shoes we will give a handsome present. Bring the little ones and we will fit them and make them happy.

Ladies' Handkerchiefs
Our beautiful line cannot be equalled for miles around in quality and price. We have them in embroidered, lace and hemstitched. The prices are 5, 10, 15 and 20c. We have a large line of men's Handkerchiefs, also Silk Handkerchiefs and Mufflers.

Men's and Women's Slippers.
Make handsome Xmas gifts. Men's Carpet Slippers, pretty designs, 50c.
Men's Romeos, all leathers, 75c., \$1.00, \$1.25.
Women's Juliettes, 75c., \$1.00, \$1.25.

Here is a list of Presents suitable for Men, Women and Boys:
Handkerchiefs, Neckwear, fancy Shirts, Cut Buttons, Scarf Pins, Watches, Fobs, Silverware, and many other things in Clothing for men, women, and boys can be had at

BURSTAN'S CORNER STORE.
Cor. Broad and Main Sts., Middletown, Del.

ARMSTRONG'S GROCERY
Corner Main and Cass Streets.

We wish to make it known to all of our patrons that our line of Xmas goods are here, and we think the best to be found in the county anywhere. Can't say the cheapest, because the best is always a little more at first cost, but less in the end.

Be sure to call and see our goods. Our grocery line is complete. Our poultry line will be by Xmas. You can't make good cooking without good lard, we have the LARD, and in fact everything that will be needed to make a Xmas dinner complete.

After that comes a little music. If you want all kinds of music come and purchase a VICTOR TALKING MACHINE

SINGS EVERYTHING—PLAYS EVERYTHING JUST LIKE THE ORIGINAL.
You can hear this machine any time at all by calling at our Store. People who want good music can get it with a Victor. Some people say you can't get any good music out of a talking machine. I can prove to anyone's satisfaction that you can get the very best music from them.

You can purchase them on monthly installments or for Cash.

Prices from \$15.00 to \$50.00.
GIVE US A CALL.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

Yours Respectfully,
ARMSTRONG'S GROCERY.

The Middletown Transcript

Trains Leave Middletown as follows:
North Bound—8:30, 7:30, 9:30 and 10:27 a. m.;
1:14 and 6:05 p. m.
South Bound—1:12, 4:31, 8:31 and 11:40 a. m.;
2:56, 4:14 and 7:50 p. m.

Mails close as follows:
Going North—7:30 a. m., 10:05 a. m., 3:50 p. m.,
4:45 p. m. and 9 p. m.
Going South—8:30 a. m., 4:35 p. m., and 9 p. m.
For Odessa—9:30 a. m., 11:40 a. m., 5:05 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton, Eastville and Sassafras—9:40 a. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., DEC. 19, 1903.

Local News.

For Jewelry go to **S. E. MASSEY'S**. Full line of Fresh Groceries at **E. F. INGRAM'S**.

Dressed Dolls and Toys, at **Mrs. G. W. PETERSON**.

The place to buy your fresh Nuts and Candies is at **BANNING'S**.
Dr. W. E. BARNARD, Surgeon Dentist, office Southeast corner of Main and Scott streets.

For a Xmas gift buy a Waterman Fountain Pen **S. E. MASSEY**.
For SALE—One Soda Fountain complete, in good order. Address, Lock Box, No. 321.

Large stock of Misses' and Children's Coats to go at half price. Call and see them. **Mrs. G. W. PETERSON**.

FOR RENT—Several desirable dwellings, one on Cass street, and others on Main street. **G. E. HUCKLE**.

FOR SALE or RENT—The property of Mrs. H. R. Jones on South Broad street. Apply to **J. R. HOFFMEYER**.

A very attractive display of choice Xmas goods are to be found at **Pearson's Pharmacy**.

WANTED—Country butter, good fresh eggs and poultry of all kinds.

ARMSTRONG'S GROCERY.
Rev. C. T. Wyatt delivered an address before the Fidelity League of Elkton M. E. Church on Wednesday night.

Until further notice the Middletown Public Library will be open on Tuesday and Saturday afternoons from 3.30 to 5, and Saturday evenings, from 7 to 8.30.

LADIES SCRIPS—We can show a fine assortment of good cloth, prettily trimmed. Latest style from \$5 up.

Mrs. G. W. PETERSON.
About 15 members of the Y. W. C. T. U. visited the Donald Reading Rooms in Delaware City Monday evening last and spent a most delightful time.

Leave us your order now for brick cream, fruit cake and all other kinds of cake. Will deliver cream for Christmas dinner.

Mrs. WILLIAM TAYLOR.

For suitable Xmas gifts we suggest some of the following: Watches, Chains, Cut Glass, Silverware for table use, Rings, Brooches, Scarf Pins, Cuff Buttons and Napkin Rings.

S. E. MASSEY.
Unclaimed Letters.—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending December 10th: Mrs. Sulten Ceny, Miss Helen McChesney; Mrs. Julia Gibbs, Mrs. Sussie Smith, Miss Elizabeth Williams, R. L. Richards and Earnest Williams.

The Levy Court Commissioners inspected the new Mill Dam at Vashell's Mill yesterday, and from what we can learn the work will be accepted. Mr. S. M. Lockwood, the contractor, is now engaged in repairing the Shallice Dam.

Mrs. H. R. Jones widow of Marcellus Jones, has received a check from the Heptastrophs for \$1,000. Mr. Jones was a member of a Baltimore Conclave, and the check was forwarded to Mr. J. C. Parker of this town who paid the claim.

Our line of stores this season surpasses all of our former efforts since we entered the store business, and the prices are right. If you are going to need anything in the store line we can interest you. All kinds and makes.

J. F. McWHORTER & SON.

The J. C. Parker & Son Company will accept our thanks for one of their beautiful 1904 calendars. The year now drawing to a close has been a most successful one for the above named firm, and the new year promises to surpass all former ones.

It looks now as if a great many people would have to do without cakes this Christmas or else buy them, for eggs are selling at "war time" prices. Local buyers are giving from 34 to 36 cents a dozen and yet cannot meet the demands. Turkeys are very scarce and it looks as if there might be a turkey famine by Christmas time.

The young ladies and gentlemen who are rehearsing nightly the comedy drama "Diamonds and Hearts," are going to render it in a most acceptable manner. The committee in charge will spare no effort to make the play attractive, and when you see "Sammy" with his "pie" and double shuffle, together with the other comical situations in the play, you will have ample fun for one night; especially a Christmas night.

Mr. Albert H. Sydam met with a painful accident while painting on the J. C. Parker & Son Co. harness factory on Saturday last. While moving a swinging stage one of the other workmen gave the stage a sudden jar, causing the hook which weighs about 20 pounds to drop a distance of about 30 feet, striking Mr. Sydam a heavy blow on the head. He was unconscious for several moments. The wound was dressed by Dr. G. B. Pearson and he is able to be out again.

The next entertainment of the Star Course, under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor Society of Forest Presbyterian Church, to be given at the Opera House December 31st, will be a grand Stereopticon by The Lincolns, entitled "Beauty Spots of America," supplemented by motion pictures and song. Commenting on The Lincolns Talmage, the noted preacher, said: "I take great pleasure in stating that Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Surrick Lincoln gave the finest entertainment of its kind ever given in my church. The pictures are superb and he puts them upon the canvas with the touch of a master, while Mrs. Lincoln is a whole show in herself. Solomon says that a good wife come from the Lord. Lincoln has evidently drawn one of the prizes. Try them and see them, and hear them, and laugh and be instructed, and have them again as we expect to welcome them in the future." Tickets for adults 25 cents, children 15 cents. Any child who will sell a dollar's worth of tickets will be given a free ticket.

WANTED—FAITHFUL PERSON TO CALL ON retail trade and agents for manufacturing house having well established business; local territory; straight salary \$20 paid weekly and expense money advanced; previous experience unnecessary; position permanent; business successful. Enclose self-addressed envelope. Superintendent Travelers, 605 Monon Bldg., Chicago.

DEATH OF JAMES MCCOLGAN

After a lingering illness, in which there were alternating hopes and fears for his recovery, Mr. James McColgan, for the past twenty years a resident of our town, departed this life at 4.45 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, surrounded by his devoted wife and four daughters.

James McColgan was born in Ireland, September 24, 1822, and came to this country with his parents in 1841, landing in the city of Philadelphia, where he learned the tailor's trade. He removed to New Castle in 1885 and conducted business there until 1882 when he came to Middletown, and has resided here continuously since that time. He married Louisa, daughter of James Wise who with four daughters survive him. In his residence of more than a score of years, Mr. McColgan has made many earnest, sincere friends. A man of pronounced opinions, his disposition was such that his views were not forced upon his fellow men. Those who knew him best enjoyed his wise and often witty comments upon the events of the day. For several years his failing health has confined him closely to his home and store, but his will power was such that he kept at his work until the last. He died in the harness.

DEATH OF PROF. FORD

Those who were looking forward with pleasurable anticipation to the entertainment which Prof. S. T. Ford, the celebrated elocutionist and delineator of negro character, was to have given at the Opera House here on Friday night, were shocked and pained when they read in the morning papers Friday that Prof. Ford had died of apoplexy on a ferry boat between New York and Jersey City. Many tickets had been sold, the Opera House rented and all preliminary preparations made for the entertainment. He died of apoplexy on a ferry boat between New York and Jersey City. Many tickets had been sold, the Opera House rented and all preliminary preparations made for the entertainment. He died of apoplexy on a ferry boat between New York and Jersey City. Many tickets had been sold, the Opera House rented and all preliminary preparations made for the entertainment.

CHURCH NOTES

Rev. C. T. Wyatt pastor, will preach in Bethesda M. E. Church to-morrow, both morning and evening. Morning text: "Expediency of Christ's Departure." Evening text: "Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named."

Bethesda Epworth League meets in the lecture room of the M. E. Church every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend. The topic for to-morrow evening is "A Choice for Eternity." Luncheon 10:30 a. m. Leader, E. G. Allee.

The Young Peoples Society of Christian Endeavor of Forest Presbyterian Church, meets every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody. The topic for to-morrow is "A Visitor of World-wide Peace." Jan. 11:30-9:30. Mrs. G. B. Pearson, leader.

At the Forest Presbyterian Church to-morrow, Sunday, the subject of the Rev. F. H. Moore's morning sermon will be "God's Unpardonable Gift," and an evening subject will be "The Light to Lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of God's People Israel." Special Christmas music will be sung at both services. The Sunday School Christmas festival will be held on Monday evening, December 28th.

TOWNSEND

Mrs. Walter Gill is visiting in Philadelphia.

Mrs. J. H. Beauchamp spent Tuesday in Wilmington.

Mrs. William Money was in Middletown Wednesday.

Mrs. I. P. Pritchard visited friends in Clayton Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harman Reynolds were in Wilmington Tuesday.

Mr. Leroy Hutchison, of Wilmington, spent Thursday in town.

Miss Mary Money is visiting Dr. Pierce, in Germantown, this week.

Miss Estella VanDyke and sister Annie were in Middletown Saturday.

Mrs. Fisher, of Ellendale, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. B. Shockey.

Mrs. W. W. Lyman spent few days last week with friends in Wilmington.

Miss Guela Heathers, of Betterton, visited Mrs. Winfield Latonius this week.

Several of the Townsend folks attended the Hayden-McCoy nuptials on Wednesday.

Misses May McFall and Anna Sharpless were in Wilmington Saturday shopping.

Mrs. William Naylor, of Odessa, spent Tuesday with her daughter, Mrs. A. J. Hart.

Mr. Wright, of Aberdeen, owner of Townsend cannery, was in town this week.

Mr. Benjamin Conrad, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with Mr. William Lee, near town.

Mrs. Edward Latonius and son Harris spent Monday and Tuesday with her sister, Mrs. W. E. Weidner.

Our young people are enjoying the skating on Harman's pond this week. Mr. W. A. Lyman caught an unexpected bath on Monday while enjoying the sport.

The revival services in M. E. Church are still continuing. Rev. J. W. Pettyman, of Cordova, Md., assisted the pastor a few days. The interest is increasing, and there have been about thirty conversions.

Mr. G. H. Wilson who has been in Townsend for several months as manager of the Wright cannery, has returned to his home in Baltimore, Md. Mr. Wilson is a genial gentleman, and made many friends during his stay here.

BOHEMIA MANOR

Wild ducks are plentiful in the Bohemia.

Quite a number of our farmers are shelling corn.

Mrs. Annie B. Berry was an Elkton visitor on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bryson spent Thursday in Elkton.

Mrs. Charles Ellison spent Wednesday of last week in Wilmington.

Mr. William Wilson was entertained by Baltimore friends last week.

Mr. Lindell Benator attended the dance at Cecilton on Thursday evening last.

Miss Annie Johnson, of Chesapeake City, who has been at Town Point for the past three months has returned home.

PERSONALITIES

Mr. Maurice Burton was in Philadelphia Friday.

Miss Eliza Green is spending the Christmas holidays at her home here.

Dr. Robert Conmy, of Smyrna, was the guest of his parents over Sunday.

Mrs. Viola Jones and Emma Carrow were Philadelphia visitors on Thursday.

Mrs. H. V. Parvis spent Tuesday with her daughter, Mrs. H. C. Browne in Wilmington.

Mrs. T. E. Harn attended the funeral of her aunt, Mrs. Emily Bell which took place in Smyrna.

Miss Hattie R. Cullen was the guest of relatives and friends in Philadelphia and Wilmington over Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Metts and granddaughter, Mildred Allen, of Philadelphia, are visiting relatives and friends here.

Mrs. Sewel Greene and her daughter, Mrs. Blatchford, of Brooklyn, are the guests of Mrs. William Greene.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Davis and two daughters, of Still Aoud, Md., were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Manlove Davis on Saturday.

Mr. Douglas Cochran and friend, Mr. Wossem, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Cochran, near town, are spending a few days in New York City.

HAYDEN-MCCOY

Miss Elizabeth West, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. McCoy, of near Odessa, was united in marriage to Mr. Abram Hayden of this town, on Tuesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock in Bethesda M. E. Church, by the Rev. C. T. Wyatt, D. D. Miss Lena Pleasanton played the wedding march, rendering Lohengrin's very beautifully.

The church was beautifully trimmed for the occasion with laurel, evergreens and potted plants. The bride was given away by her father, Mr. J. W. McCoy, and was groomed in castor. Etoile cloth, trimmed with Persian silk roses, with beaver hat to match, and carried a bouquet of bride's roses and ferns. The groom was attended by his brother, Gilbert H. Hayden, of Wilmington. The ushers were Messrs. John W. McCoy, Jr., of New York City; W. Harman Reynolds, of Townsend; William H. Anderson, of Hild, of this town; and George H. Hild, of this town. Previous to the ceremony an excellent dinner was served to the immediate members of the two families at the residence of the bride's parents, near Odessa. The young couple have numerous friends in this community, and the bride was the recipient of many handsome presents. The bride's traveling suit was navy blue broadcloth, with hat to match. Mr. and Mrs. Hayden took the 4.17 train north for a wedding trip, and after their return will reside on North Broad street in this town. The Transcript extends congratulations.

ST. GEORGES

James Gam visited Wilmington on Tuesday.

Mrs. James White has returned from Wilmington.

Joseph Heisel was a Wilmington visitor on Tuesday.

Miss Olivia Paynter is spending this week in Odessa.

Mrs. J. C. Stuckert was in Wilmington on Saturday.

W. H. Barnett and daughter spent Friday in Middletown.

H. C. Buckson paid a visit to Baltimore, Md., last week.

Mrs. Clara Brinton and Mrs. John Vincent are in Wilmington.

William Reynolds and wife spent part of this week in Wilmington.

Wesley Carey, of Wilmington, is the guest of John Gam and family.

Mrs. Theodore Jones spent Friday with Mrs. J. G. Crompton near town.

The Misses Clark entertained Miss Anna Ellison, of Glasgow, on Saturday.

Mrs. Katharine Smith, of Porter, is the guest of her brother, D. B. Stewart.

C. M. Riley has returned from a visit to J. B. Carrie and family, near Glasgow.

John McGarity and son, of Summit Bridge, spent Monday with relatives here.

Mrs. H. C. Buckson has returned home from a visit to relatives in Wilmington.

Mrs. Margaret Reybold and Miss Anna Stewart were visitors at Union on Friday.

Misses Blanche Jones, Della Moore, Nellie Crossland and Lida Price were in Wilmington on Saturday.

Miss Effie White, of Deakynville, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, James White and wife.

J. H. Stewart is making a number of alterations in his store, when completed will be very attractive.

Raymond Jamison, of Wilmington, has been visiting her parents, Clarence Jamison and wife, during the past week.

A number of our town people attended the 25th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cazier, near Glasgow, on Friday evening.

Robert Jester and family who have been spending several months with his parents, John Jester and wife, have returned to their home in New York.

The Bible class was beautifully led on Monday evening by Mr. M. J. Gray. The meeting next week will be at the home of Mrs. Clark Thompson. All welcome.

The W. C. T. U. held an enthusiastic meeting in the Old Fellowship hall on Monday evening. Arrangements are being made for a lecture by the State president Mrs. Caulk, in the near future.

WARWICK

Mrs. Urie P. Ginn and Mrs. D. S. Cannon were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Martin L. Ginn, near Odessa, last Friday.

Mr. R. Delbert Aiken, of Delaware City, accompanied by his daughters, Misses Will and Josephine, were the guests of relatives in town Thursday.

The home of Mr. John Holden was the scene of a quiet but very pretty wedding on Wednesday at 2.30 o'clock, when his daughter, Miss Almira, was united in holy wedlock to Mr. George Washington Moore, of Chesapeake City. A reception followed immediately after the ceremony, after which Mr. and Mrs. Moore left for their home in Chesapeake City. We tender them our congratulations.

Camp 8, P. O. S. of A. will meet in the town hall next Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

Senior Christian Endeavor prayer meeting to-morrow evening at 7 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Quiet a number from town attended the Public Sale of Mr. Charles A. Vinyard near Townsend, last Tuesday.

Miss Bessie R. Merritt, of Goltz, was the guest of Mrs. D. S. Cannon one day last week.

Mr. C. Richard was in town one day last week.

Miss Bessie W. Gunkle was in Sassafras Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Aiken, of Middletown, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John H. M. Garner last Sunday.

ODESSA

Mrs. M. T. Ginn who has been quite sick is convalescent.

Miss Nellie Stevens was a Philadelphia visitor Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Mary Tamm visited friends in Wilmington a few days this week.

Miss Burdette Lee has returned from a two weeks visit in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Ida Heller, of Wilmington, is visiting her sister, Mrs. William Heller.

Miss M. Eaton, of Port Penn, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. Vandegrift.

Mr. Fred West, of Bordentown, N. J. is visiting his sister, Miss Emma West.

Miss Annie Reynolds was a Wilmington visitor from Monday until Wednesday.

Miss Ollie Paynter, of St. Georges, is visiting at the home of Mrs. J. C. Corbit.

Mrs. Joseph M. Armstrong is entertaining Mrs. C. A. Brice, of Camden, N. J.

Mrs. C. H. Appleton returned Wednesday after spending a few days at Bryn Mawr, Pa.

Miss Lucy Rhodes has accepted a position at Farnhurst, and left for that place last week.

Mrs. William H. Eccles and daughter, Mrs. Emma, were Wilmington visitors Thursday.

Mr. John W. McCoy, Jr., of New York, was the guest of his parents a few days this week.

Mr. D. W. Corbit and A. Lee Sparks attended the road meeting at Farnhurst Wednesday.

Mr. W. Lee Penington has returned from Salem after spending a week with Mr. C. Edward Green.

Mrs. J. W. Williams, of near town, fell at her home on Wednesday evening and is now in a serious condition.

Miss Louise N. Corbit accompanied by her niece, Miss Mary Louise Curtis, returned home Monday after spending some time in Newark and Wilmington.

Prof. A. R. Spaid, of Wilmington, will give an illustrated lecture on "Birds" in the Town Hall, Tuesday evening, December 22nd, at 7.30 P. M. Admission free.

Special Xmas services will be held in the Presbyterian Church on Sunday December 27th. An orchestra consisting of eight or more pieces of instruments will be present. All are cordially invited to attend.

"The Lincolns in Travel" the first of the Star Course entertainments that are to be given by the P. O. S. of A., will be on Saturday night, December 19th, in the Town Hall, at 7.30 P. M. This promises to be a delightful and profitable entertainment. Course tickets for \$1.00 are on sale at Davis Bros. store, also single tickets 25 cents and reserved seats 35 cents.

CECILTON

Miss Marion Clark spent Saturday in Wilmington.

John K. Black spent a few days of this week in Elkton.

All the stores are beautifully decorated with Christmas toys.

James Lusby's youngest son Arthur, is seriously ill at this writing.

Thomas P. Jones is spending a few days with friends in Baltimore.

Miss Minnie Meisel was the guest of Wilmington friends last week.

Misses Della and Arrie McCoy, were in Wilmington on Saturday last.

George Davis, of Baltimore, was an over Sunday guest of James H. Smith.

Miss Delia Johnson, of Wyoming, is being entertained by Mrs. E. S. Short.

John Morris is spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. Thomas Van Buskirk, of Baltimore.

A donation party was held at the parsonage by the friends of Rev. W. A. Dawson on Thursday evening last.

The young men gave a dance in Mechanics' Hall on Thursday evening last, with the usual crowd in attendance. Quite a pleasant time was had by all.

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NOTICE

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On Monday, Jan. 4th, 1904.

At which time seven (7) Directors will be elected to serve the ensuing year. The premium on policies issued at the rate of five (5) per cent. will be required to be paid. The Directors have declared a Dividend of eight (8) per cent out of the Surplus Fund and also a dividend on the credit of members, payable on and after January 4th, 1904. Election for Directors will take place between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M. and 1 o'clock P. M.

JOHN C. CORBIT, President.

JOSEPH E. BROWN, Secretary.

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